

**Edgewood Community Council
October Meeting Minutes**

Members Present: Jansen Robinson, Veronica Black, Angela Lewis, Karla Simon, AL Ballistreri

Members Absent: Marlon Gittens, Mike German, Deborah LaViscount, Jenenne Robinson, Tori Lynch, Jameel Hendricks

Note: Robert Aims notified Chair that he would be absent because he taking Conflict Resolution Training. Stephen Poupola's application is pending.

COMMUNITY CONCERNS TRACKING FORM

SUNRISE EAST CONDO HOA

ISSUE	STATUS	ADDRESSED BY:
Rewrite HOA/Community By-Laws	Open	Looking for an attorney
Install cameras	Open	Referred to Sheriff's Dept for guidance
Road Improvements	Open	Private roads/need private sector assistance
Develop a community website	Open	
Fencing to control pedestrian traffic	Open	
Neighborhood watch program	Open	Referred to Sheriff's Dept for guidance
Updated Livability Code	Open	Task force to meet on 17 Oct 2011
Landlord accountability	Open	

FIRST HARFORD SQUARE HOA

ISSUE	STATUS	ADDRESSED BY:
Fire Lane Enforcement	Open	No response from Fire Marshal
Cleaning the county-owned roadways of snow/trash	Open	
Speed bumps on Harford Square Drive	Open	Told homes not facing road by county
Updated Livability Code	Open	Task force to meet on 17 Oct 2011
Green box maintenance	Open	
Fencing to control pedestrian traffic	Open	Need private sector assistance

AT-LARGE COMMUNITY CONCERNS

ISSUE	STATUS	ADDRESSED BY:
Lack of adequate public transportation	Open	Currently being addressed by county
Bus shelter/trash can at the Rte 40/Treetop Road bus stop	Open	Passed on to Dion Guthrie
Incorporation of Edgewood	Open	Robinson to get info out to community
Lack of community involvement	Open	Need to better define
Lack of support from Edgewood business community	Open	Contacted Rte 40 Business Assn.
Lack of support from Edgewood's	Open	Churches are active/no combined efforts

faith-based community		underway
Lack of creative neighborhood watch programs	DELETED	
Litter Enforcement on Hanson Road Corridor	Closed	Art recommended that the ECC provide recognition for the private citizen picking up trash on that corridor.
Fire lane enforcement in shopping centers	On-going	More police have been seen in the Edgewood Plaza Shopping Ctr.
Lack of involvement/support from elected/appointed officials that represent Edgewood	On-going	See list of officials absent along with comments from those present.
Comcast/Verizon junction box maint	Open	
Need for public dumping site near the southern-end of the county	Open	ECC urged to support the Joppa/Joppatowne community

Government Officials Updates

(Sheriff Jesse Bane; Major C. Pressberry; Lt. HJ Dougherty)

Crime Stats for Sector 10 (Edgewood/Joppatowne)

Stolen Autos 3

Theft from Autos 10

Commercial Burglaries 0

Residential Burglaries 6

Assaults 12

Robberies 0

Change from same time last year.

Assault up +7%

Domestic Violence down -6%

Homicide 0 0% change

Robbery down -39%

Rape 2 0% change

Sheriff Bane also informed the attendees that he has not yet heard from the State Fire Marshal regarding the designation of fire lanes for enforcement.

Councilman Dion Guthrie in attendance

Transfer Station tentatively being proposed for a site on Rte 7 and the results of his meeting with the community on this proposal.

First meeting (which is open to the public) of the Livability Code Task force scheduled for 17, Oct 2011 starting @ 7:00 PM at the Abingdon Library. He also informed the council that he along with several members of the task force met with a the Property Manager's group to discuss the Livability Code.

Councilmanic Redistricting proposal submitted to the Council they will review and either accept/revise and then vote.

Researching introducing legislation to prohibit the County Executive from purchasing land without the approval of the County Council.

School Board Member Bob Frisch

Met with the Boys to Men programs and spoke highly of that group that is funded by the county.

He has made rounds to all of the schools that serve the Edgewood community and as many PTA' Meetings as he could.

He fought to ensure that the Joppatowne Track Field was given consideration for resurfacing and that the work is done properly.

He cited two initiatives that he is pursuing: Bringing a language program that is currently only offered in one MS outside the Edgewood/Joppatowne community; and evaluating the course-Living in a Contemporary World.

He is now the head of new committee (Facilities) created by the school board. And he urged the community to get involved by contacting their respective representatives.

He was asked to review every day math for elementary schools children. One attendee also suggested that the community request a meeting with the Supt regarding issues in Edgewood Area schools. (That request is being incorporated in a planned Open Forum between the community and elected/appointed leaders that serve Edgewood interests.

Delegate Glen Glass

Introduced himself and informed the council that he plane to be in regular attendance at ECC monthly meetings.

Del Glass is against increased Tolls

Against In-State Tuition for undocumented persons

Against the Transfer Station proposal

Against the Congressional Redistricting Plans proposed by the governor

Suggested that he may propose a State Law that prohibits the County Executive from purchasing land without the approval of the County Council.

Suggested Changing Hatem Bridge to Love-em Bridge

Against any proposal to raise the Gas Tax

Requested ideas for legislation from the ECC/Community

AT-Large Comments

The Edgewood Lions Club has requested to be the responsible party for the annual lighting of the Christmas Tree on the Edgewood Farmers Market.

One member asked about Speed Cameras on Willoughby Beach Road to help curb speeders when police aren't present.

Stephen Poipolo asked how he could obtain a list of the HOA's/Churches in the Edgewood area. He is the co-chair of the HOA/Apt Managers group. Art reminded the council that a list has been developed. Robinson to get that list to Stephen.

Stephen asked Councilman Guthrie the status of his application for appointment to the ECC. Councilman Guthrie stated that he CE Craig wanted to discuss the appointment with him.

Pastor Christine suggested that perhaps a Pastor's Breakfast for Edgewood faith based organizations may be a way for pastors to reconnect. Angela Lewis stated that she would take the lead and work through FACE-IT to make this happen.

Elected/appointed officials invited to the ECC Meeting

County Executive Craig/Office --- No one in attendance from the County Executive's Office

County Councilman Dion Guthrie—Present

Sheriff Jesse Bane—Present along with Maj C. Pressberry and Lt Dougherty

School Board Rep Bob Frisch (He was not invited, but he routinely attends the ECC meetings)

Delegate Mary Dulany James- Not in attendance

Delegate Glen Glass- Present

Senator Nancy Jacobs- Not in attendance but she did contact the council to inform us that she was stuck on the MARC train from DC and would not be able to attend.

Several Edgewood residents approached me after the meeting to suggest the the Edgewood Community Council help them with coordinating an **Open Forum between the Edgewood community and elected/appointed officials to discuss issues germane to the entire community.**